(क) क्या सरकार ने सीमित शाखाओं और सीमित कार्यक्षेत्र वाले लघु बैंकों के खोले जाने को प्रोत्साहित करने की संभावनाओं का पता लगाया है,

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है, और

(ग) ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में लघु बैंक खोले जाने के लिए क्या कदम उठाए जा रहे हैं ?

वित्त मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री एम० वी० चन्द्रशेखर मूर्ति) : (क) से (ग) बैंककारी विनियमन अधिनियम, 1949 की धारा 22 के अनुसार निर्धारित शर्तों को पूरा करने के अध्यधीन, भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक गैर-सरकारी क्षेत्र के बैंक स्थापित करने की अनुमति दे सकता है। वित्तीय प्रणाली से संबंधित समिति (नरसिंहम समिति) की सिफारिशों के आधार पर गैर-सरकारी क्षेत्र के बैंक स्थापित करने की नीति की समीक्षा की गई है। समिति ने सिफारिश की है कि गैर-सरकारी क्षेत्र के नए बैंकों के प्रवेश की अनुमति दी जानी चाहिए बशर्ते कि वे पूंजी पर्याप्तता से संबंधित मानदण्डों सहित सुस्पष्ट विवेकसम्मत मानदण्डों को पूरा करने में सक्षम हों। सरकार ने यह सिफारिश स्वीकार कर ली है और उसने यह निर्णय लिया है कि सरकारी क्षेत्र के नए बैंकों को वित्तीय क्षेत्र में प्रवेश की अनुमति दी जाएगी बशर्ते कि वे विस्तृत और सुस्पष्ट विवेकसम्मत अपेक्षाओं को पूरा करते हों। भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक ने इस संबंध में 22.1.1993 को विस्तृत मार्गनिर्देश जारी किए हैं। इन मार्गनिर्देशों में प्रतिस्पर्धात्मक और सक्षम सेवा प्रदान करने के लिए बैंकों की कार्यक्षमता और सामर्थ्य के महत्व पर बल देने के साथ-साथ यह निर्धारित किया गया है कि वे अन्य घरेलू बैंकों पर लागू प्राथमिकता क्षेत्र को ऋण देने के लक्ष्यों को प्राप्त करें। गैर-सरकारी क्षेत्र के नए बैंकों से यह भी अपेक्षित होगा कि वे ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में शाखाएं खोलें।

Investigations on Dawood Ibrahim Gang in shares transfer racket

*511. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE: SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU Will th; Minister of FINANCE be pleased. to state:

(a) whether investigations have confirmed involvement of Dawood Ibrahim gang in t*he multi*-crore fradulent shares transfer racket, and also in the recent securities scam, as reported in the Times of India of 4th April 1994;

(b) if so, what are she details of she levelations: and

(c) Government's reaction thereto';

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKKAR MURTHY) : (a) No, Sir. The Bombay Police have indicated that there is yet no *prima facie* involvement of the Dawood Ibrahim gang in the share transfer racket

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Excise duty imposed on Small Scale Industries

*512. SHRI V.NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that some of the growing small scale industries in the country are suffering because of the excise duty imposed on them if they use a different brand name;

(b) whether such small scale industries submitted representation to the Ministry of Finance for giving concessions to them; and

(c) whether Government conducted any survey of the small scale industries that have closed down their units in large numbers because of the concessions withdrawn by Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKHAR MURTHY): (a) Small scale industries are not likely to be affected adversely due to changes made in the budget 1994-95 in the brand name provision under small scale excise duty exemption schemes. The changes have been made with a view to prevent the misuse by bigger units and to allow a small unit to promote his own brand.

(b) Representations have been received for withdrawal of changes made, in the budget 1994-95 in the brand name provision in the small scale excise duty exemption schemes. Government have examined the representation received and have made following two changes in the brand name provision in the SSI schemes:—

(i) use of code number, drawing number and design number have been excluded from the definition of brand name; ans

(ii) a small scale unit manufacturing component parts of a machinery, which are

to be used as original equipment in the manufacture of machinery, etc can clear branded component parts upto a value of first clearances of Rs. 30 lakhs in a year without having to follow any rigorous procedure. Small scale units producing such branded goods upto a turnover less than Rs. 30 lakhs in a year are only to declare that the branded goods would be used as orginal equipment.

(c) No, Sir.

Agreement on Restructuring of NTC

*513. SYED SIBTEY RAZI:
SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK :

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleas ed to state:

(a) whether any agreement between Government and Trade Unions has been reached over restructuring the chronically sick National Textile Corporation;

(b) if so, the details thereof with terms and conditions of this agreement;

(c) whether this agreement would benefit the workers as well as users of NTC cloth;

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) what are the unresolved issues in the agreement; and

(0 what steps Government propose to take to find an amicable solution to the unresolved issues of the agreement ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI G VEN-KAT SWAMY) (a) to (0 The modernisation/ rationalisation plans prepared by the Textile Research Associations for revival of the NTC mills have been endorsed by the Labour Minis fry's Special Tripartite Committee on NTC. The Special Tripartite Committee has given the following unanimous recommenda-tions:—

(0 The reports given by the Textile Research Associations show that the NTC mills as well as Taken Over Mills can be made viable by modernisation.

(ii) Modernisation/rationalisation therefore should be carried out in consultation with the unions.

(iii) There should be no retrenchment

(iv) There should be no privatisation.

(v) Taken over mills would be nationalised.

(vi) Surplus land may be disposed off and the proceeds should be utilised by the Management for modernisation, working capital, etc.

(vii) Professional management should be strengthened both in the Holding Company and at the Subsidiary levels and representation of trade unions should be ensured upto Board level for effective participaton of workers in the management at all levels from unit to Holding Company level.

(viii) Steps shall be taken to move the BIFR to accept the above proposals and close the cases.

The revival plan will require approval of the BIFR under the provisions of the Sick Indus-trial Companies (Special provisions) Act, 1985 after it is approved by the Government before it can be implemented.

In terms of the modernisation/rationalisation plans prepared by the Textile Research Associations, the National. Textile Corporation is expected to attain viability within two years of their implementation. This will be beneficial to its workers and consumers.

भारतीय औद्योगिक विकास बैंक से सहायता प्राप्त कंपनियां

*514. डॉ ईश्वर दत्त यादव : क्या वित्त मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि भारतीय औद्योगिक विकास बैंक से सहायता प्राप्त कम्पनियों के कार्यनिष्पादन की जांच की जाती है,

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है और इस संबंध में क्या प्रतिक्रिया अपनाई जाती है, और